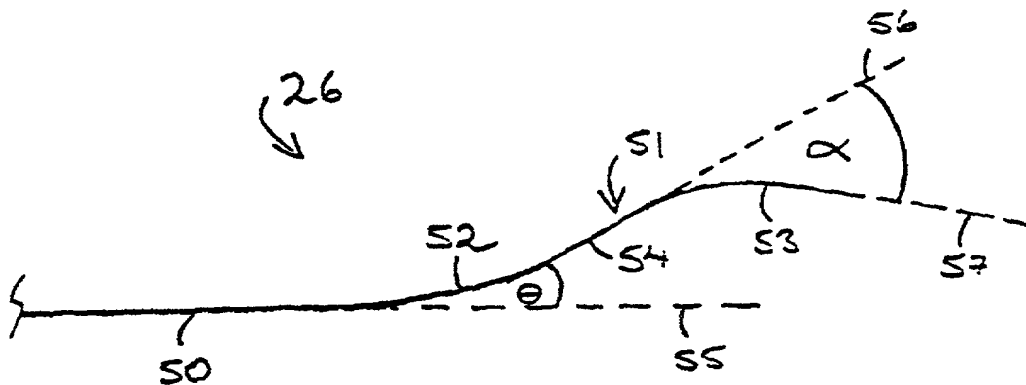




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(57) Abstract

A Directable Medical Guidewire having two ends and an outer surface for insertion through a lumen comprising: an elongate resiliently flexible body having a main portion biased into a first configuration; and, an end portion contiguous with one end of the main portion defined by a curved configuration having a first section with a first curvature and a second section having a second different curvature to that of the first section.